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Medical School Receives \$1 Million Gift

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The University of Nevada School of Medicine has received a \$1 million gift from a Reno couple that will launch a campaign to build an improved medical library and education center.

The gift from William N. and Myriam Pennington will help construct a facility to house an expanded medical library and new medical education space, including small group conference areas. The building -- on the north end of the University of Nevada, Reno campus -- will also house the Women's Health Initiative Clinic and modern classrooms for medical students. The expansion of the school's medical library is invaluable for medical training and research, and the results of the nationwide women's health study will provide crucial information on heart disease, cancer and osteoporosis in women.

The Savitt Medical Library is the state's only medical library and serves as a resource for physicians throughout the state. Construction of the new building, 60 percent of which is planned as space for the library, will begin within the next five years. Total cost will be between \$7 million and \$8 million, the majority coming from privately raised funds.